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RE: Legal Notice for November 8, 2016 General Election

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Please publish the below Notice of Election in the legal section of the Sept. 28, 2016 edition.

Notice of Election
Jefferson County, State of Washington
Tuesday, November 8, 2016 General Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified voters of Jefferson County, State of Washington that on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, a General Election will be conducted entirely by mail. Ballots will be mailed October 19, 2016 to all qualified voters living in Jefferson County. Ballots for Military and Overseas Civilian voters were mailed September 23, 2016.

The online voter guide is available at www.myvote.wa.gov

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to:

- State and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit www.pdc.wa.gov.
- Federal candidates, visit www.fec.gov.

Any voter who does not receive their ballot, or needs a replacement ballot, may request one:

- By phone: Jefferson County Auditor's Office: 360-385-9119;
- In person: Jefferson County Auditor's Office (1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend);
- By Email: elections@co.jefferson.wa.us;
- Online: www.myvote.wa.gov, Enter your name and date of birth then print your ballot.

If a primary election was held for an office, the two candidates who received the most votes in the Primary advanced to the General Election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

The election for President and Vice President is different. Candidates for President and Vice President are the official nominees of their political party.

Offices / Measures on the ballot:

Initiatives to the People

Initiative Measure No. 1433 – concerns labor standards.

Initiative Measure No. 1464 – concerns campaign finance laws and lobbyists.

Initiative Measure No. 1491 – concerns court-issued extreme risk protection orders temporarily preventing access to firearms.

Initiative Measure No. 1501 – concerns seniors and vulnerable individuals.

Initiatives to the Legislature

Initiative Measure No. 732 – concerns taxes.

Initiative Measure No. 735 – concerns a proposed amendment to the federal constitution.

Advisory Votes

Advisory Vote No. 14, House Bill 2768.

Advisory Vote No. 15, Second Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2778.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution

Senate Joint Resolution No. 8210 – concerns the deadline for completing state legislative and congressional redistricting.

Federal – Partisan Office

President / Vice President of the United States

READ: Each candidate for President and Vice President is the official nominee of a political party. For other partisan offices, each candidate may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

Federal – Partisan Office

U. S. Senator

Congressional District No. 6 – Partisan Office

U.S. Representative

State - Partisan Offices

Governor

Lt. Governor

Secretary of State

Treasurer

Auditor

Attorney General

Commissioner of Public Lands

Insurance Commissioner

Statewide - Nonpartisan Office

Supt. of Public Instruction

Legislative District No. 24 – Partisan Offices

State Senator

State Representative, Position 1

State Representative, Position 2

County – Partisan Offices

County Commissioner, District 1

County Commissioner, District 2

Judicial – Nonpartisan Offices

Supreme Court Justice, Position 1

Supreme Court Justice, Position 5

Supreme Court Justice, Position 6

Jefferson County Superior Court Judge, Position 1

Local – Nonpartisan Office

Public Utility District No. 1, Commissioner District No. 1

Local Measure

Brinnon Parks & Recreation District No. 2 – Tax Levy

Voter Registration Information & Deadlines for this Election:

- Oct. 10, 2016 Twenty-nine days before the election Last day for mail-in or online new registrations and voter updates within and between Washington counties.
- Oct. 31, 2016 Eight days before the election Last day for in-person registration at the Jefferson County Auditor's Office (1820 Jefferson St, Port Townsend) for those voters not already registered in the State of Washington.

Voter registration forms are available at the Jefferson County Auditor's Office as well as various locations throughout the county (schools, libraries, community centers, etc). You may also register to vote and change your name and address at all drivers licensing locations or online at www.myvote.wa.gov.

A registered voter who misses the deadline to transfer his or her residential address may vote according to his or her previous registration address. Registration applications and updates submitted after the deadline will take effect for the next election.

Voting Center

The Jefferson County Auditor's Office, located on the first floor of the County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend, is a voting center for the complete voting period of Oct. 19 – Nov. 8, 2016. Regular office hours are 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays with Election Day hours of 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

How to return your ballot:

- By Mail: First Class Postage is required on all ballots returned by mail. If you are mailing your ballot on Election Day, be sure to check the postmark cutoff time at your Post Office. Ask your post office if they postmark it there or send it to their processing location for the postmark, possibly resulting in a next day postmark. Ballots bearing a postmark after Election Day, November 8, 2016, will be considered late, and cannot be counted.
- <u>Ballot Drop Box</u>: Two Ballot Drop Boxes are available 20 days before an election and open 24 hours a day. On Election Day, ballots will be accepted in the drop boxes until 8:00 p.m. They are located at:
 - Jefferson County Courthouse: 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend back parking lot.
 - Jefferson County Library: 620 Cedar Ave., Port Hadlock next to book drop in parking area.
- <u>In-Person</u>: Auditor's Office on the 1st Floor of the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend. Regular office hours 8:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. weekdays with Election Day hours 8:30 a.m. 8:00 p.m.

In order for a ballot to be counted, the voter must sign the Voter's Declaration on the return envelope. The Declaration on the return envelope may only be signed by the registered voter whose ballot is inside. If you are unable to sign, you may make a mark on the signature line in the presence of two witnesses. The two witnesses need to sign in the space provided on the declaration envelope. A power of attorney or signature stamp are NOT permitted.

Notice of Accessibility

An Accessible Voting Unit (AVU), also known as AutoMARK, is available at the Jefferson County Auditor's Office from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays, Oct. 19, 2016 thru Election Day, Nov. 8, 2016, with Election Day

hours from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The AVU is a tool – an "electronic pen" equipped with audio and visual technology – to assist voters who have a difficult time seeing and/or marking a ballot with a regular pen. It allows voters to vote a secret ballot independently. The side entrance to the County Courthouse, located on Cass St., is ADA accessible.

For information regarding assistance with voter registration, voting, election information or accessibility issues, please contact the Election Department at (360) 385-9119 or (360) 385-9117.

Logic & Accuracy Test:

Oct. 4, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., in accordance with RCW 29A.12.130, the Jefferson County Election Department will conduct an official Logic and Accuracy test on our ballot tabulation system. This test will verify that the system will correctly count the votes cast for all candidates appearing on the ballot. Representatives from each major political party, the press, the public and candidates are invited to observe this test. A representative from the Office of the Secretary of State will be in attendance.

Ballot Processing Schedule:

Oct. 24, 2016 through Nov. 29, 2016: Ballot processing activities will be held in the Jefferson County Auditor's Office on the1st Floor of the County Courthouse. Unless otherwise noted, activities will be performed between 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Nov. 7, 2016: Begin Final Processing of Ballots

Nov. 8, 2016, Final Processing of Ballots

Election Results:

Nov. 8, 2016, 8:00 p.m.: First Tabulation of Ballots

Nov. 11, 2016, by 2:00 p.m.: Additional Ballots Counted (date / time subject to change depending on volume)

Notice of Canvassing Board Meetings:

The Jefferson County Canvassing Board, or their appointed designees, will hold open public meetings on: Nov. 28, 2016, 12:30 p.m.: Preliminary Canvassing Board Meeting to review any ballots referred to them. Nov. 29, 2016, 1:00 p.m.: Final Canvassing Board Meeting to Certify Election. Each meeting shall be continued until the activity for which the meeting is held has been completed.

Dated at Port Townsend, Washington, this 28th day of September 2016.

Rose Ann Carroll

Jefferson County Auditor